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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 21, 2003, please reconsider the patentability of the pending claims.

A Notice of Appeal was filed October 21, 2003. No extension of time is required to make this filing timely.

Please amend the claims as shown on the following sheets. All claims are shown. Only claims 12, 17, and 24 are newly amended. The amendments are according to the examiner's proposals. The examiner had previously proposed making the amendments by examiner's amendment, but she did not make them when the terminal disclaimer was deemed ineffective.